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January 29, 2008

Mr. Ron Roberts, Chairperson
San Diego County Board of Supervisors
County Administration Center
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Chairperson Roberts:

Pursuant to President Bush's amended declaration of January 4, 2008, major disaster declaration (FEMA-1731-DR-CA) was amended to expand the disaster incident type to include flooding, mud flows, and debris flow. The processing of U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency Emergency loans for physical and production losses caused by the Wildfires have been authorized for the primary counties of **Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura** and the contiguous counties of **Imperial, Inyo, Kern, and San Luis Obispo**. The incident period for this disaster remains as October 21, 2007, and continuing.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karma Hackney".

KARMA HACKNEY
Program Manager

Enclosure

c: San Diego County OES
San Diego County Agricultural Commissioner
California Department of Food and Agriculture
OES Regional Administrator

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation Wildfires – EM 3279, Amendment 2 & M1731

Designation Information

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County(s):	Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Ventura
Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Imperial, Inyo, Kern, San Luis Obispo
Event:	Pursuant to President Bush's major disaster declaration of October 24, 2007 due to Wildfires that occurred October 21, 2007, and continuing. Amendment 2 expands the disaster incident type to include flooding, mud flows, and debris flows directly related to the wildfires.
Assistance made available by designation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster • Up to a maximum of \$500,000 • Interest rate of 3.75 percent
Application deadline:	September 4, 2008
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture • Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)
USDA website for additional information:	www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm